#### March 2014

# 2014 Schedule of Meetings:

No meetings Jan.-Feb. Next meeting Mar. 5th, then Apr. 2nd, May 7th, June 4th, July 2nd, Aug. 6th, Sept. 3rd, Oct. 1st, Nov. 5th, and Dec. 3rd.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., meeting starts 8 p.m., at the Rockwood Public Library (inside Eramosa Community Centre) at 85 Christie Street (near corner Christie Street and Main Street North Wellington Road 27, Rockwood, On. NoB 2Ko.

#### Annual Membership Dues:

Regular 'early bird' \$10 (before Jan. 1) or \$12 after, can save \$4 by paying 2 yrs in Dec. 2013. Couple \$12 Junior (14 to age 18) \$5 Under 14 Free

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# The Wellington Circular

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# NEXT MEETING DATE: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH, 2014



#### President's Message

Our next meeting is Wednesday, <u>March 5th</u>, <u>2014</u>! Scott Douglas will be presenting "Saints and Sinners - Brewing and Temperance in Ontario." Remember if you didn't already renew, you must bring your renewal dues to our March meeting. Cheers! John (johnsemedo99@gmail.com / 519-821-6379)

the place is filling up fast, and we have been administering an entrance examination

#### Smile & Chuckle

shared by Edith Lenz

Forrest Gump Goes To Heaven: The day finally arrived. Forrest Gump dies and goes to Heaven. He is at the Pearly Gates, met by St. Peter himself. However, the gates are closed, and Forrest approaches the gatekeeper. St. Peter said, 'Well, Forrest, it is certainly good to see you. We have heard a lot about you. I must tell you, though, that



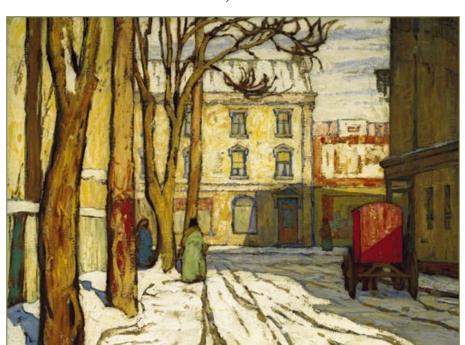
for everyone. The test is short, but you have to pass it before you can get into Heaven.' Forrest responds, 'It sure is good to be here, St. Peter, sir. But nobody ever told me about any entrance exam. I sure hope that the test ain't too hard. Life was a big enough test as it was.' St. Peter continued, 'Yes, I know, Forrest, but the test is only three questions. First: What two days of the week begin with the letter T? Second: How many seconds are there in a year? Third: What is God's first name?' Forrest leaves to think the questions over. He returns the next day and sees St. Peter, who waves him up, and says, 'Now that you have had a chance to think the questions over, tell me your answers' Forrest replied, 'Well, the first one -- which two days in the week begins with the letter 'T'? Shucks, that one is easy. That would be Today and Tomorrow.' The Saint's eyes opened wide and he exclaimed, 'Forrest, that is not what I was thinking, but you do have a point, and I guess I did not specify, so I will give you credit for that answer. How about the next one?' asked St. Peter. 'How many seconds in a year? Now that one is harder,' replied Forrest, but I thunk and thunk about that, and I guess the only answer can be twelve.' Astounded, St. Peter said, 'Twelve? Twelve? Forrest, how in Heaven's name could you come up with twelve seconds in a year?' Forrest replied, 'Shucks, there's got to be twelve: January 2nd, February 2nd, March 2nd...' 'Hold it,' interrupts St. Peter. 'I see where you are going with this, and I see your point, though that was not quite what I had in mind....but I will have to give you credit for that one, too. Let us go on with the third and final question. Can you tell me God's first name'? 'Sure,' Forrest replied, 'it's Andy.' 'Andy?' exclaimed an exasperated and frustrated St Peter. 'Ok, I can understand how you came up with your answers to my first two questions, but just how in the world did you come up with the name Andy as the first name of God?' 'Shucks, that was the easiest one of all,' Forrest replied. 'I learnt it from the song, 'ANDY WALKS WITH ME, ANDY TALKS WITH ME, ANDY TELLS ME I AM HIS OWN.' St. Peter opened the Pearly Gates, and said: 'Run Forrest, run.'

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## Toronto Street, Winter Morning

This \$20 fine silver coin is the fourth in the series of seven coins and depicts one of Lawren Stewart Harris' painting "Toronto Street, Winter Morning". Lawren S. Harris was the key founder of the Group of Seven and a leading landscape artist. His painting "Toronto Street, Winter Morning" was completed in 1921. Royal Canadian Mint engravers have reproduced his memorable image of bundled figures walking in the snowy streets by a horse-drawn delivery van. All of the other coins in this series have quickly sold out from the Mint, and most now sell in the secondary market at a premium above the original issue price. Lawren Stewart Harris was born in Brantford, Ontario, on October 23, 1885. As a young man, Harris moved to Germany to study art. In 1940, after six years in New Hampshire and

New Mexico, Harris settled in Vancouver, where he remained until his death in January 1970. Harris was a Companion of the Order of Canada and recipient of several honorary degrees from Canadian universities. He is widely recognized as one of the most important figures in modern Canadian art. This 2012 \$20 proof coin is .9999 Silver, 31.39g, 38mm, serrated edge, artist: RCM Artist Engravers reproduced (reverse); Susanna Blunt (obverse). Comes in red leather case inside cardboard sleeve, and numbered COA.





Mall Day, Spring Show and Auction News

#### Lowell Wierstra advises:

Although due to increased mall costs we cancelled our mall days in the fall 2013; we are booked for 2-days at Stone Road Mall on Saturday, April 5th and Sunday, April 6th, 2014 as these days are too important to our club's sustainability. As always, we encourage members to volunteer to staff our booth, and bring along interesting numismatic displays. This is a great opportunity to educate the general public on numismatics, bring in new members to our club, and boost attendance at our coin show.

Our club's spring show is Saturday, April 12th, 2014. Again, we need members to volunteer to staff the show. In this issue are the dates for all our futures shows going out several years, so you can plan well ahead in your calendars. Many vendors have already committed long-term. We are fortunate to have one of the best attended shows (dealers and patrons) in Southern Ontario.

The auction sheet on page 10 of this issue is missing reserves deliberately. All proceeds of this auction will be going to the SWCS. Come out and support our club with your bids!



Meeting Set-up / Clean-up:

Gord Tarzwell and Club Members present at meeting

Food & Beverages at Meetings:

**Mel Brown** 

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Articles of the upcoming newsletters are due to the Editor by no later than the 15th of the current month.

Advertising space will be accommodated where space is available.

Annual Membership: \$10

**SWCS:** Was founded in March 1997.





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# SOUTH WELLINGTON COIN SOCIETY ANNOUNCES THEIR UPCOMING COIN SHOW DATES:

Spring: Fall:

Saturday April 12 2014 | Saturday September 27 2014

Commencing 2015 shows will be held: 1st Saturday in May and 4th Saturday in September in perpetuity.

Spring: | Fall:

Saturday May 2 2015 Saturday September 26 2015

Spring: | Fall:

Saturday May 7 2016 | Saturday September 24 2016

Spring: | Fall:

Saturday May 6 2017 | Saturday September 23 2017

Shows continue to be held at Colonel John McCrae Legion, 57 Watson Parkway, Guelph, ON N1L 1E3

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### R62-Mc85 £10 Australia

This is a 1954 First Issued Coombs / Wilson WA / 03 £10 Commonwealth of Australia paper banknote (has 5 folds, 1 reasonably heavy cross, no pin holes, no edge nicks, creased, grade solid F).

Karina Nartiss (nee Sar) was earning a living as a professional photograhic model, and she received a 10 Guinea payment (\$21.00) for the pose, in classical ballet robes, on March 22, 1952. She had no artist's copyright entitlements as they were signed over to the Commonwealth Bank of Australia as part of the deal, and she was not even told of the purpose of the photographs until just prior to the release of the note. No credit of her involvement was ever publicly given out until 1988.

r62 – Mc85 Valuation (AUD\$): 1998 VG 25 to CFU 500; 2003 VG 50 to CFU 1,000; 2008 VG 90 to CFU 2,500; and 2013 VG 50 to CFU 495. 2012 Auction prizes realized about 80% of valuation. Obverse is Governor Phillip, Reverse is Science & Industry, Signatories: H. C. Coombs, Governor, Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Roland Wilson, Secretary of the Treasury. Size: 180.34mm width x 78.74mm height. Paper composition 83gsm. Watermark: Head of Captain Cook in right oval 'TEN POUNDS' behind each signature. Serial Numbers: Prefix of WA over numeral WA /00 000001 to WA / 28 260000. Note: the death of King George VI belatedly led to the introduction of new designs for the ten pound note. Commander of the First Fleet and First Governor of New South Wales, Captain Arthur Phillip, features on the front of the new note and a theme of Science and Industry appears on the back, together with a woman modelled by Karina Nartiss.

Next is the First serial prefix WA / 00 #r62F – Mc85a valuation (AUD\$): 2007 VG 300 to CFU 12,000; 2012 F 330 to CFU 2,550; 2013 EF 553 to aUNC 935, auction realized about 76%.

Finally shown is the Last circulation serial prefix WA / 28 # r62L – Mc85b valuation (AUD\$): 2008 VG 400 to CFU 12,000.











# French Polynesia (Tahiti) 7-coin set (1996-1999)

Source: The Standard Catalog of World Coins

Picturesque, mountainous Tahiti. the setting of many tales of adventure and romance, is one of the most inspiringly beautiful islands in the world. Robert Louis Stevenson called it 'God's sweetest works'. It was there that Paul Gauqin, one of the pioneers of the Impressionist movement painted the brilliant. Exotic pictures that later made him famous.

The arid coral atolls of Tuamotu comprise the most economically valuable area of French Polynesia. Pearl oysters thrive in the warm. limpid lagoons, and extensive portions of the atolls are valuable phosphate rock. The Territory of French Polynesia (formerly French Oceania) has an area of 1,544 sq. mi. and a population of-185,000. It is comprised of the same five archipelagoes that were grouped administratively to form French Oceania. The colony of French Oceania became the Territory of French Polynesia by act of the French National Assembly fn-March. 1957. In Sept. of 1958 it voted in favor of the new constitution of the Fifth Republic, thereby electing to remain part of the new French Community.



Here is a set of exotic coins from an exotic land. Palm trees fruits and flowers, tall mountain peaks and tropical islands. These are the themes portrayed on the reverse side of the coins in this set. The obverse design of the 100 Francs, 50 Francs, 20 Francs, and the 10 francs coins features a Capped Liberty head facing left & the date and legend below. The obverse design of the 5 Francs, 2 Francs and 1 Franc coins consists of a female figure (Liberty?) seated on throne, facing right holding lit torch in left hand, assorted fruit in bend of right arm; "REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE" above.

The set consists of the following Lot of 7 French Polynesia coins.

- 100 Francs-KM 14a Dated: 1999. Composition: Nickel-Bronze
- 50 Francs KM 13a Dated: 1999. Composition: Nickel
- 20 Francs KM 9a Dated: 1996. Composition: Nickel
- 10 Francs KM 8a Dated: 1999. Composition: Nickel
- 5 Francs KM12 Dated: 1998. Composition: Aluminum
- 2 Francs KM10 Dated: 1997. Composition: Aluminum
- 1 Franc KM11 Dated: 1999. Composition: Aluminum



# Lord Mayor of London 1896-97

Reference Jewish Encyclopedia: This coin is 7/8 inches in diameter and made of a plastic-like material. Lord Mayor of London (1896-97); second son of Sir Benjamin Samuel Phillips; born in 1840. George Phillips, who derived the name of Faudel from his uncle, was educated at University College School, completing his studies in Berlin and Paris. He then entered his father's business. In 1867 he married Helen, daughter of Joseph Moses Levy, the proprietor of the "Daily Telegraph," and sister of Sir Edward Lawson, its present Chief Proprietor. His sister Sarah is the Lady Pirbright. He was appointed Sheriff of London and Middlesex (1884-85);



succeeded his father as Alderman of the Ward of Farringdon Within (1888); and became a Governor of the Honorable Irish Society (1894). The following year he was created High Sheriff of the County of London, and in 1896 he became Lord Mayor of the City of London. As Chief Magistrate of the city, Faudel-Phillips received Queen Victoria at Temple Bar on the occasion of the Jubilee Thanksgiving service which was held at St. Paul's Cathedral and subsequently at the Mansion House. His year of office was one of remarkable philanthropy. He raised funds which amounted, in the aggregate, to £1,000,000 for the relief of the famine in India and for other charitable objects. He was the recipient of numerous honors at the close of his term of office, when he was created a baronet, and, in recognition of his services to India, received the Grand Cross of the Indian Empire. He also received numerous foreign decorations. He holds many municipal and charitable offices in connection with the city of London.

Sir George Faudel-Phillips, G. C. S. I.

Sir George Faudel-Phillips has served the Jewish community as President of the Jews' Orphan Asylum and of the Society for the Relief of the Jewish Blind. The former institution celebrated its centenary during his mayoralty.





## George Washington Commemoratives

This is a George Washington Capitol Building in Washington (DC) fob with built-in medal / token. This 'sliding' piece has what seems to be a depressed area inside to put a picture, or possible name tag, or for game tokens, or lock of hair, or piece of Irish heather. It also shows good luck symbols, Horn of Plenty, Elephant, Rabbit's Food, Horse Shoe, 4-leaf Clover, and Wishbone. Also on the reverse someone crudely scripted the following: PHONE 52-9242 GINO. The size is approximately 1-1/4 x 1-1/8 inches. It is made of gilted bronze / brass white metal or a composite thereof.















State quarter depicting Washington crossing the Delaware.

#### YEP... IT'S A WASH. FOB



Q. I would appreciate any information concerning this watch fob. On the front is a portrait of George Washington, surrounded by the inscriptions, "Compliments of Toklas Singerman & Co. \* Seattle, W.T. \*" and, "Cor. Front & Columbia St. 1888." On the back is a wreath with, "Clothiers & Gents Furnishers. Strictly One Price and Lowest Figures."

 Even without the 1888. this advertising watch fob would be fairly easy to date. Toklas, Singer & Co., a chain of men's clothing stores, erected their imposing new Seattle emporium on the corner of Front and Columbia Streets in 1887, only to have it destroyed in the Great Fire of Seattle, June 6, 1889. Had that disaster not befallen them, the fob would still fall within a very narrow time frame, due to the W. T. for Washington Territory; statehood came on November 11, 1889. Your find appeals both to collectors of Washingtonia (George Washington items) and to those of Washington Territory & State memorabilia, particularly Seattle specialists. Listed in Rulau & Fuld's Medallic Portraits of Washington, it's estimated at \$150-200 in Fine or better condition.

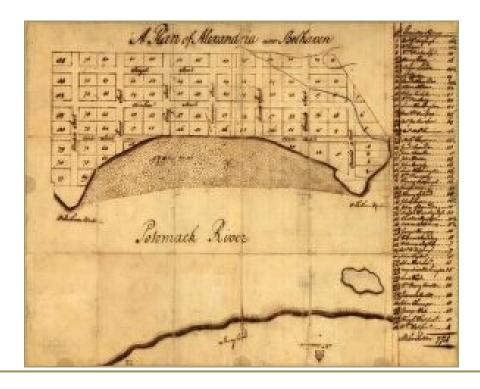
Gary Clark, a retired City of Seattle worker and avid "metal detectorist." A couple years ago, Gary, a member of the Cascade Treasure Club, was out hunting for treasure with his metal detector, waving it around a construction site on East Denny Way, between Broadway and Harvard, on Capitol Hill. Off went the metal detector and in the dirt Gary found this: He knew he had something cool. It appeared to be a watch fob, it had a picture of George Washington on it, and it was inscribed: "Compliments of Toklas Simgerman & Co \* Seattle, W.T." The date stamped on the fob was 1888. Wondering what exactly he had, and how much it was worth, Gary sent a query and a picture of his find to Western & Eastern Treasures, which describes itself as "the world's



leading magazine for metal detectorists since 1966." In the September issue he received his answer (left column):



1904 medal for the Centenary of George Washington's death, "Surveyed Alexandria"



# Foreign Currency Hunt

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SWCS AUCTION LIST FOR MARCH 5TH, 2014						
LOT	DESCRIPTION	EST. VALUE	RESERVE	YOUR BID	WINNING BID	
1	Australia 1957 florin .500 silver	\$6.00				
2	Australia 1943 shilling .500 silver	\$5.00				
3	Australia 1966 50 cent coin .800 silver	\$12.00				
4	Australia 1958 six pence .500 silver	\$3.00				
5	Germany 1947f two mark	\$6.00				
6	Canadian Tire coupons 3cnt 5cnt & 10cnt	\$3.00				
7	Canadian Tire coupons 5cnt 10cnt &50cnt	\$5.00				
8	Canadian Tire coupons 25cnt 50cnt & dollar	\$5.00	Α			
9	Canadian Tire coupons 10cnt & 10cnt 1972 & 1987	\$10.00	L			
10	Canadian Tire coupons 10cnt 25cnt & 50cnt	\$5.00	L			
11	Caqnadian Tire coupons 5cnt 10cnt & 25cnt	\$5.00	L			
12	Three mechant coupons 5cnt 10cnt & 25cnt	\$10.00				
13	Toronto Transit 4 tokens		Р			
14	Three Hungary coins		R			
15	1983 Fergus trade dollar					
16	1982 Elora trade dollar		0			
17	Frank Veters pizza pennies qty. 4		С			
18	Japanese ocupation bills one & five centavo	\$10.00	E			
19	Germany inflation bill 10,000,000 mark					
20	Germany two bills 1910 1000m & 100m		E			
21	Columbia one peso note 1971	\$2.00	D			
22	China two small notes one yuan 1960	\$3.00	S			
23	China two notes 500 gold units & 20 gold units 1948		3			
24	China four notes 1936 five yuan notes					
25	Biafra 1968 unc one pound note	\$100.00	T			
26	Austria one krone 1916	\$8.00	0			
27	Not geld Munster stadt 2 mark 1920's rare	\$13.00				
28	Chille two 10 centesimos on 100 pesos notes	\$5.00				
29	Chille 1962 one half escudo note	\$3.00	S			
30	Oberosterreich 1921 20 heller two notes	\$5.00	w			
31	Austria/Hungarian 2 kronen 1922 two notes	\$5.00				
32	Kassenschein Austria 20 heller 1920	\$2.50	С			
33	Not geld Sierning Austria 1920 50 heller	\$5.00	S			
34	Bag of world coins 80 pcs					
35	Egypt 1916 five piastres .833 silver	\$20.00				
36	Canada 125 years cased two 1992 loons					
37	Canada cased 1981 silver dollar	\$14.00				
38	Thailand 1953-56 s 5 baht note signature 40					
39	Canadian Tire 2010 dollar coin					
40	Russia three ruble notes 1905-3r 1909-5r 1909-10r	\$15.00				
Coins for auction call Lowell Wierstra @ 519-824-6534						